

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A process for coating a substrate, wherein a suspension of crystalline oxide particles in a suspending medium having a mean particle size from 0.5 to 9.9 nm is applied to a substrate ~~by~~ to form a coating, the suspending medium is evaporated and the coating on the substrate is sintered.

Claim 2 (Original): A process for coating a substrate as claimed in claim 1, wherein oxide particles having a mean particle size of from 0.5 to 9.9 nm are used.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A process for coating a substrate ~~either of claims 1 and 2 as claimed in claim 1~~, wherein the oxide particles ~~used~~ are  $\text{BaTiO}_3$ ,  $\text{SrTiO}_3$ ,  $\text{Ba}_x \text{Sr}_{1-x} \text{TiO}_3$  where  $x = 0.01$  to  $0.99$ ,  $\text{Pb}(\text{Zr}_x \text{Ti}_{1-x}) \text{O}_3$  where  $x = 0.01$  to  $0.99$ ,  $\text{Bi}_{4-x} \text{La}_x \text{Ti}_3 \text{O}_{12}$  where  $x = 0$  to  $4$  or  $\text{SrBi}_2 \text{Ta}_2 \text{O}_9$ .

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A process for coating a substrate ~~any of claims 1, 2 and 3 as claimed in claim 1~~, wherein the suspending medium ~~used~~ is an alcohol or a glycol ether.